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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

OFFICIAL REPORT OF THE BUDGET SESSION, 1114

Thursday, the *20th July 1939.*
4th Karkadagam 1114.

The Council met in the Council Hall, Ernakulam, at eleven of the clock with the Hon'ble the President (SIR SHANMUKHAM CHETTY, K. C. I. E.), in the Chair.

Messrs. M. Sivarama Menon and C. N. Ittiravi Nambudiri were absent.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

CHUNDAL VILLAGE—BATHING GHATS—PROVISION OF.

26. Mr. C. V. Iyyu *(Kunnamkulam):* Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) whether the Chundal Panchayat or the head of the Panchayat Department has received any petition or petitions within the last three years bringing to the notice of the Government the hardship felt by the ryots of that part of Chundal village and of the adjoining villages for the want of a proper bathing ghat for their cattle at Kuruthichal in Chundal village ;

(*b*) whether the Government has felt the necessity of such a bathing ghat in that part of Chundal village ;

(*c*) whether the Government or the Chundal Panchayat has taken any steps and see that this long-felt need of the ryots is satisfied ?

Dr. A. R. Menon *(Minister for Rural Development):* (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Yes.

(*c*) Yes ; the work will be attended to according to the availability of funds.

Mr. C. V. Iyyu *(Kunnamkulam):* The words 'availability of funds' is rather a vague term. Will the Hon'ble Minister be pleased to promise that it will be done in 1115 ?

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Dr. A. R. Menon *(Minister for Rural Development):* I shall do my best. I think it is possible.

Mr. K. Kochukunhan Kaimal *(Vadakkancheri):* Has the Government any idea as to the probable expenditure that will be required for this?

Dr. A. R. Menon *(Minister for Rural Development):* We have got some funds for water works and I am sure I will be able to attend to this.

Mr. K. Kochukunhan Kaimal *(Vadakkancheri):* It is a work which can be carried on with Rs. 100 or 200. It is a dire necessity.

Dr. A. R. Menon *(Minister for Rural Development):* I know it will come to about Rs. 180 or 200. That will be attended to completely.

PAZHANJI—LIGHTING IN.

27. Mr. C. V. Iyyu *(Kunnamkulam):* Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) whether the Government have read an article in the Gomathi dated 20th May 1939 written by a certain gentleman from Pazhanji pointing out the necessity of locating the petromax light given to Pazhanji at Chittathkadavu;

(*b*) will the Government be pleased to grant one or two additional petromax lights also to Pazhanji and locate one at Chittathkadavu and another at the turning to the old church from the eastern bazaar, Pazhanji, the busiest part of the town;

(*c*) whether the Government has passed orders to open the road pointed out in the article at least before the end of 1115?

Dr. A. R. Menon *(Minister for Rural Development):* (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) The matter will be considered next year.

(*c*) No.

Mr. C. V. Iyyu *(Kunnamkulam):* Regarding sub-division (*c*) I may be allowed to point out to the Hon'ble Minister that that road is a very important road, since it will turn out to be an interstatal road when it is extended up to the British border. It is also a road by which people can avoid danger from fire. So I would request the Hon'ble Minister to be pleased to take up this matter this year itself.

Dr. A. R. Menon *(Minister for Rural Development):* I am sorry I cannot commit myself to that course. But I will see to it.

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